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(4) 72nd Report (8th Lok Sabha) on National Co-operative Development Corporation.

(5) 86th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on Development of a Weapon system and wrongful appropriation of public revenues to non-public funds.

(6) 113th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on Union Excise Duties-Non Levy of Duty on Products Captively consumed-Cellulose Xanthate.

(7) 135th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on National Project on Biogas Development.

(8) 171st Report (8th Lok Sabha) on Costly equipment lying idle in Regional Telecommunication Training Centre, Hyderabad.

(9) 176th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on Complete loss of gold articles.

(10) 186th Report)8th Lok Sabha) on Review on compensation claims.

(11) 9th Report (9th Lok Sabha) on India Government Mint Bombay-Overview.

(12) 17th Report (9th Lok Sabha) on Supply of Drinking water to problem villages.

(13) 29th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Infructurous and avoidable extra expenditure in the acquisition of certain special purpose naval vessels.

RE. DARSHAN OF IDOLS OF RAM LALLA

श्री प्रमोद महाजन (महाराष्ट्र) : सभापति जी, मैं एक महत्वपूर्ण विषय उठाना चाह हूं....(**व्यवधान**) सभापति जी, आज....(**व्यवधान**)

MR. CHAIRMAN: How much time will you take? Will you take two minutes?

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Yes, Sir. I will take two minutes. .... (*Interruptions*)... Mr. Chairman, Sir, you have identified me, Sir,... (*Interruptions*)...

MR CHAIRMAN. I would like the Members to understand that we have a very important and very urgent business today. So I would request them to be brief. I will allow two Members to speak.

श्री प्रमोद महाजन : सभापति जी, आज सदन के इस सत्र का अंतिम दिन है और मै एक महत्वपूर्ण विषय की ओर केन्द्रीय गृह मंत्रालय का ध्यान आकर्षित करना चाहता हूं। अयोध्या में रामलला के दर्शन पर 8 दिसम्बर से एक अघोषित पाबंदी लगी है। गत 15 दिनों में जो दर्शनार्थी रामलला के दर्शन करना चाहते हैं, सरकार उन्हें वहां जाने की अनुमति नहीं दे रही है। इसलिए जनता में, साधु-संतों में और राम भक्तों में काभी आक्रोश है। ....(**व्यवधान**) इन दिनों में....(**व्यवधान**)

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY (Tamil Nadu): Do you want to create further bloodshed in the country?

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्री (उत्तर प्रदेश) : अयोध्या के बारे में जरूर सवाल उठाए जाएंगे, अगर आप लोग अन्याय करेंगे तो।

SHRI VISHVJIT P. SINGH (Maharashtra): This House cannot be used to inflame the passions of the nation.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am asking him. (*Interruptions*)... immediately.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: In the name of religion... (*Interruptions*)...

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्री : माननीय सभापति जी, यह बिल्कुल नया सवाल है। रामलला के दर्शन नहीं होने दिए जा रहे हैं। ...(व्यवधान)

SHRI VISHVJIT P. SINGH: How can he raise this issue again and again? ...(*Interruptions*)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have raised the matter. This matter has been discussed again and again. I will go to the next person, Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta ... (*Interruptions*) ...I gave him two minutes. More than two minutes are over.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: There is tension in the city of Ayodhya. You are not allowing me to speak even for two minutes. Central security forces are creating problems there. ...(*Interruptions*)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please keep quiet. This is the last day of this session. I would request the Members to observe some restraint so that this House can work as a democratic body and not as an obstructing body. We have obstructed the proceedings enough in this session. You have mentioned what you wanted to say. The House has understood it. I have understood what you have said. That is enough. Now let us go ahead with the business of the House.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR (Uttar Pradesh): No, Sir... (*Interruptions*)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta .. (*Interruptions*) ... Hon. Members, please sit down. .... (*Interruptions*)...

You have mentioned what you wanted to say. I have understood what he has said. The House has understood what he has said. There is no need to elaborate that.

विपक्ष के नेता (श्री सिकन्दर बख्त) : सदर साहब, आपने मेहरबानी से उनको कुछ कहने की इजाजत दी है। वह एक लफ्ज तो उनको कहने दीजिए।

†[اپنا وردھی دل " شری
سرندر بکھت " : صدر صاحب نے
مہربانی سے انکو کچھ کہنے کی
اجازت دی ہے - وہ ایک لفظ تو
انکو کہنے دیجئے -]

You have permitted him to say something. Let him say that ... (*Interruptions*)..

MR. CHAIRMAN: He has said the substance of it. How long should I allow him?

SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT: He was interrupted. So he could not say.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have allowed him to speak. But there is a time-limit. You cannot have another debate on it.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA (West Bengal): Mr. Chairman, Sir, you have allowed me. I seek you indulgence. .. (*Interruptions*) ..

SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM (Uttar Pradesh): Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta first you go to your seat and then speak.

SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT: You have allowed him to speak. But nobody else is allowing him to speak.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Sir, let them allow me to speak.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You please conclude in one minute. (*Interruptions*) You also allow him, please. One minute.

श्री प्रमोद महाजन : सारे अयोध्या में आक्रोश है। महोदय, 26 दिसंबर से रामलला का प्रकटोत्सव शुरू हो रहा है। वहां के जिलाधिकारी ये कहते हैं कि केन्द्रीय गृह मंत्रालय ने वहां दर्शन पर पाबंदी लगाई है....(व्यवधान) यह कोर्ट की आज्ञा का उल्लंघन है और मैं चाहता हूं कि होम मिनिस्टर अभी तुरंत इस सदन को बताएं कि रामलला के मंदिर के दर्शन कब खोले जाएंगे और कब से उस पर पाबंदी हटाई जाएगी... (व्यवधान)

†[ ]Transliteration in Arabic Script.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, would you please sit down? Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA (West Bengal): Sir, before I go on to my speech as allowed by you, ...(*Interruptions*). Before I go into the subject that you have kindly allowed me to speak on, I shall definitely plead with the Government not to relax the ban. I shall plead with the Government not to relax the ban on the visit of the devotees to the... (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is this what you wanted to say? (*Interruptions*). The Home Minister is represented. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA (Bihar): Before the Home Minister reacts, let me tell you, the ban must continue.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: We would like to tell the Government that the ban must continue.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): Peace must be maintained in that area. There should not be any intrusion by anybody, whoever he or she may be, whether a devotee or not. Peace has to be maintained there. All steps have to be taken to maintain peace there. Nobody should be allowed to disturb the peace there. (*Interruptions*)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Only if you are silent, I can react. Otherwise, I cannot.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Nobody can be allowed to take the country for a ride.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I may say that this is most disappointing. I would like the House to seriously consider this. If you cannot be quiet at least for five minutes to listen to something, then how will you function? Is it the message that you are going to give to your constituencies, to the country, that you are not allowing even a serious discussion like this to take place in this House?

SHRI M. M. JACOB: I was listening to what the hon. friend, Mr. Mahajan, was mentioning in this House. It is too early for me to react on that subject. However, the entire area is under curfew. When curfew is there, certain regulations are there. I will have to get information about them. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Even after the curfew, you will not permit 'darshan'. We must have an assurance. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT: This is a very improper reply from the Home Minister. I am sorry and I walk out of the House.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: We walk out to show our resentment against the Home Minister. We are walking out to show our resentment against the incapability of the Home iMnister to maintain peace there.

(*At this stage some hon. Members left the Chamber*)

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM (Andhra Pradesh): May I make a submission, Sir? (*Interruptions*)

What is the attitude of the Government on Ayodhya? Are they allowing people to worship the idols of Ram Lala? (*Interruptions*)

What is the attitude of the Government? Let the Home Minister make it clear. It is not a question of curfew. What is the policy of the Government? What is the attitude of the Government? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Sir, I would like to draw your kind attention to

the resolution which had been passed by this House condemning the action of demolition of the mosque at Ayodhya and to maintain peace and calm in that area. Whether that area is under curfew or not, the Government must not allow anybody, in the name of doing *puja* of Ram Lalla idols, to enter into that area and disturb the peace in that area. The Government must ensure it.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Sir, my submission is, the day before yesterday, I had raised this issue, you may kindly remember, and the Government did not take note of it. I had been to Ayodhya. The local people of Ayodhya and Faizabad do not want any further confrontation. They do not want their livelihood to be disrupted. They do not want the environment of that region to be polluted. But the demand that is being made by the BJP has a deliberate political angle. The deliberate political angle is that in the name of the right of doing *puja*, they are interested in working up the passions in that area again. If the passions are allowed to be worked up, I do not know what will happen to the fragile environment of secularism we are having in the country. Therefore, it is not a question whether curfew is there or not. The Government must come down heavily on the irregularity of the demolition. There is a *Mandir* because the Masjid has been deliberately demolished illegally in defiance of the desire of the country and the ruling of the Supreme Court. Therefore, the illegality of their action cannot be legalised in the name of giving freedom to a number of devotees. The price which the country has paid is too much. We are not ready to pay any more price and the Government must not suffer due to inaction. There is no question of curfew. The Government must clearly tell the House that they will not allow any further instrusion of these fundamentalists in this area in the name of doing *pooja*.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (Andhra Pradesh): Mr. Chairman, Sir, to the best of my knowledge, we in India are a jurisdictional State. While the people of every religious group have a right to worship in the manner they want to the Government of India, the Indian State, has a right to regulate the activities of any religious group in the larger interest of public order, public health and public morality. The persent situation dictates that we give higher priority to public order, to the sentiments of any religious group. Therefore, I would like to tell the Government on behalf of myself and on behalf of the party that before they take any decision on this, they must think twice. Of course, this Government suffers from too much of thinking and consequent paralysis. We, therefore, suspect the politicial will of this Government and we want to warn the Government against any hasty step on this account.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Sir, I am on a different issue. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Kindly allow me to speak for one minute.

MR. CHAIRMAN: One minute only.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Right, Sir. We all know what has happened since 6th December and the Supreme Court clearly gave orders that no untoward incident should take palce in that particular site at Ayodhya. Now after demolishing the Masjid, some miscreants illegally constructed a temple and installed idols of Ram Lalla over there. Now, Sir, the BJP's gameplan is to encourage some zealots to go over there and worship those idols. This is being done deliberately by the BJP to create communal tension and to aggravate the situation. Therefore, the Government must come out with a definite proposal. The Government seems to be taking a refuge under this curfew. It is not a question of curfew. What is the attitude of the Government? Are they going to ban the

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entry of any religious group or people who want to encroach upon this Babri Masjid site? The Government will have to make it clear to this House. That is my demand.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Yashwant Sinha. One minute only.

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Sir, my suggestion to the Government is that we must permanently sea that area. We must permanently seal that until the dispute is permanently solved. Don't do anything otherwise, it will be a great folly. Seal it.

PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA (West Bengal: Sir, Government should not dither. It is time for taking firm action if further mischief is to be avoided by these communalists.

RE. BOFORS CASE

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY (Tamil Nadu): While associating myself with my friends, Mr. Dipen Ghosh, Mr. Jaipal Reddy and Mr. Yashwant Sinha I would like to draw the attention of the House, through you, Sir, to an important matter. The highest court of justice of this land has given a very commendable judgement clearing the decks and hurdles in the investigation of the Bofors case. The hurdles put up by the vested interests in the investigation of the Bofors case have been now thrown off. The judgement clearly states that the registration of FIR in the Bofors case and the subsecuent letters rogatory issued are valid. Therefore, the people, the criminal offenders who pocketed and swallowed the people's money and deposited it in the Swiss banks should be exposed to the public. In their judgement the Judges have also given a very good encomium for the honest officers of the CBI, for those officers who had to vacate their office due to some pressude from some political party. May I request the Government through you, Sir, that those officers who have left their posts should be recalled for expediting the investigation on Bofors? Therefore, I urge upon the Government to expedite the investigation on Bofors so that the names of the real culprits who have swallowed the people's money could be disclosed and the entire matter could come to light.

RE. JUDGEMENT OF SUPREME COURT ON MANDAL ISSUE

SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I want to make an important point. In Lok Sabha the Government has agreed to make a statement regarding the promotions for SC|ST people. I want the Government to make a statement in Rajya Sabha also so that the position may be clarified. What is the decision of the Supreme Court? It should be explained so that the State Governments do not misinterpret it.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (Andhra Pradesh): Mr. Chairman, Sir, yesterday itself you were good enough to permit me to raise the issue relating to the Supreme Court judgment on the Mandal issue. Sir, I understand, the Government of India has agreed to make a statement in Lok Sabha today. I do not see any reason why the Government should not make a similar statement in this House. This is number one.

Number two in this. This judgement of the Supreme Court relates only to economically and socially backward classes. In the notification issued by the Government of India, headed by Mr. V. P. Singh, on 13th of August, 1990 there was no reference to reservations in promotions because that was a question relating to backward classes. The Judgement also does not refer to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. If this judgment makes some remarks in regard to Scheduled Castes and